

**AODA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 2009
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Dennis Williams, Lee Wipfli, James Pearson, Susie Austin, Susan Andrews, Lou Hernandez, Rose Barton

Meeting called to order at 10:08 a.m.

INTRODUCTIONS OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of July 21, 2009 were approved as read.

PRESENTATION

Joana Hemschemeyer from Hebron House discussed information from a report she passed out entitled, "Executive Summary of the Study Group Report on the Waukesha Overflow Shelter". She cited statistics from the report on the men who used the overflow shelter last year. There were 131 unduplicated individuals served and 77 were helped with achieving permanent housing. Seventy six percent of the individuals were Waukesha County residents and 96 of the 131 were white, 12 Hispanic and 22 African Americans. Thirty four of the 131 individuals had a college degree, 73 were high school graduates and 26 or 20% of the 131 served were veterans.

Hebron House is asking for emergency shelter again this year. Changes for this year would include: no smoking once the doors are closed at 7:00 p.m. and individuals would have to get their bed assignments at the meal sites. They hope this will reduce the number of individuals "hanging out" around the church before the doors open at 6:00 p.m. The Hebron House has access to stimulus money that would cover \$73,000 to run the overflow shelter this year. Discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS

Suggestions for topics for this fall: invite Mike DeMares to come and speak on the budget; hold elections for AODA Advisory Committee Chair and Co-Chair; explore options to find new members; talk to jail staff about services for the Hispanic residents in the jail; ask someone from Project 180 (a juvenile diversion program) to speak and invite the AODA Halfway Houses to speak on their services. It was also suggested to have someone from Huber Jail come and speak.

CITIZEN MEMBER REPORT

No new information to report.

COUNTY AODA STAFF LIAISON REPORT

Susan Andrews handed out postcards from Drug Free Communities in Waukesha County announcing a countywide drug collection in October.

There is currently no contracted inpatient treatment available, however, the county does have the ability to authorize a single person contract with specific agencies if inpatient treatment is needed. Susan Andrews and Gina Bauer are reviewing other inpatient programs throughout the State for options. The halfway houses are working with the county to look at providing programming to meet this need. Discussion followed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Susie Austin, seconded by Mike O'Brien to adjourn the meeting. The motion was voted on and passed. The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Minutes recorded by Dawn Cagney

Approved on _____
Date